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**RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT
and PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.115**

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office action mailed June 21, 2005, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in a listing of the claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.